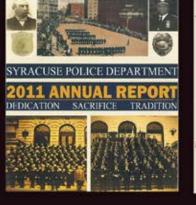


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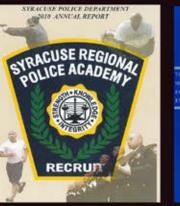


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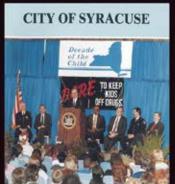
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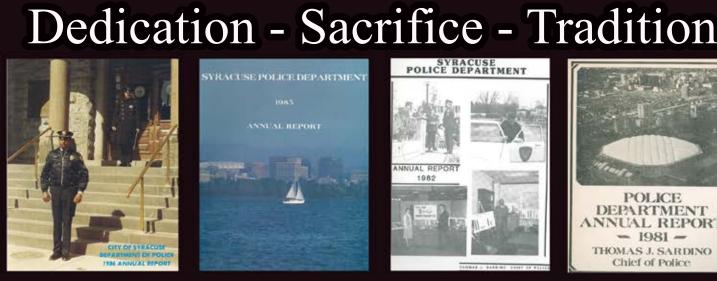


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POLICE DEPARTMENT **ANNUAL REPORT** - 1981 -THOMAS J. SARDINO Chief of Police

Tradition	As members of the Syracuse Police
	Department, our mission is to protect
	all lives and property and maintain a
Service	feeling of security in the community,
	and to enforce all federal, state, and
	local laws over which the Department
Innovation	has jurisdiction. Our mission is
	carried out with a commitment to
	the philosophy and principles of
Excellence	community policing

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Frank L. Fowler Chief of Police

David C. Barrette First Deputy Chief



Deputy Chiefs Shawn M. Broton Joseph L. Cecile Rebecca E. Thompson

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Stephanie A. Miner, Mayor

April 1, 2014

Honorable Stephanie A. Miner Office of the Mayor City Hall Syracuse, NY 13202

Dear Mayor Miner :

I respectfully submit to you the Syracuse Police Department's 2013 Annual Report.

The information and statistics captured in this report are indicative of the outstanding dedication and performance of the employees of the Syracuse Police Department. You can be assured that the members of the Police Department will continue to work diligently to ensure a safe and secure city for the residents of Syracuse.

Sincerely,

Frank L. Fowler Chief of Police

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Initiate and complete the entire process of canvassing, conducting background investigations, interviewing, and ultimately hiring a class of Police candidates. Emphasis will be placed on not only finding the most qualified and dedicated applicants, but also selecting a group that represents the broad diversity of the population of the City of Syracuse.

### Ongoing:

The Recruitment Section continues to recruit suitable candidates that represent a variety of ethnic, cultural, and racial populations while developing programs that will encourage successful outcomes for such candidates.

Combine the Records and Data Management offices into one location. Reduce the number of offices needed for daily operations. Improve the flow of information and communication within the entire Division.

### Ongoing:

Numerous renovations have been completed at the PSB. The Data Management office move has been postponed until renovations are completed in their new work area.

Implement CIT training (an enhanced mental health recognition and de-escalation training) throughout the Department. Make Departmental policy changes and create better and more consistent interfacing with Mental Health Providers.

### Ongoing:

The Syracuse Police Department has been participating in a collaborative effort with area law enforcement and the Onondaga County Department of Mental Health to develop the CIT training curriculum. Training is scheduled to begin in March 2014. Expand the existing COPS platform camera system. Deploy cameras in other areas of the City based upon OCAC analysis. Partner with privately owned business within the City to connect to their external cameras.

### Accomplished and ongoing:

COPS cameras have deployed in five additional areas of the City this year. Funding has been secured to integrate with private organizations to view CCTV cameras in and around critical infrastructure. The Police Department is also working with several community organizations to fund projects in additional neighborhoods.

Develop and implement an interagency program designed to swiftly recognize juvenile associated crime sprees. Identify those involved and focus all necessary resources toward ending it with the combination of intervention or incarceration.

### Ongoing:

The Department continues to research and explore different strategies and programs aimed at the early recognition of juvenile crime sprees; focusing on prevention through early intervention or incarceration.

### Funding for the U.S. Department of Justice's Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program.

In September 2012 Syracuse was one of nine sites across the nation to receive funding (\$300,000) from the U.S. Department of Justice's Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program. The funding was used to implement Syracuse TRUCE which is an evidence based strategy designed to reduce gang and group related homicides and non-fatal shootings. Syracuse TRUCE reflects twin goals of the initiative: to reduce violent conflicts among groups and to foster positive relationships between the community and law enforcement.

On February 27th, 2013 the Syracuse TRUCE strategy was started in the City of Syracuse. TRUCE is a partnership of the community, service providers, and law enforcement that is designed to reduce gun violence. TRUCE is a focused deterrence model aimed at a small number of offenders, who are in violent groups or gangs, which are responsible for a disproportionate share of gun violence. A key element of the strategy is the direct communication of a deterrence message to members of those groups/gangs through "TRUCE Notifications".

In cooperation with a great many partners, who are all passionate about reducing gun violence, a total of 10 TRUCE notifications have been held in our community. In the TRUCE Notifications, over 200 Syracuse gang/group members have received our gun violence deterrence message in direct face to face communication in court rooms across our community. The message is clear – continued violence will result in a range of sanctions on the entire group causing the violence. As part of TRUCE, social service resources are extended to each and every gang/ group member who requests them. The Salvation Army has organized over sixteen different social service providers who are all willing and capable of providing the much needed services to gang/group members. At this point, services have been provided to 35 members who chose a path other than gun violence. On the flip side, when our deterrence message has not been listened to, the law enforcement response to a group or gang involved gun homicide has been swift and accurate, resulting in the arrest of over 60 gang/group members.

During 2013 there were 2 TRUCE "triggers" which resulted from a "group-involved gun homicide". The first came on March 10, 2013 and involved the LAMA/Uptown gang. Through April, more than 2,200 personnel hours were devoted to enforcement details, resulting in nearly 200 arrests and more than 400 traffic tickets, including 24 arrests of the members of the targeted gang(s). Home visits of 13 gang members were conducted by probation and parole, and investigations of gang members' eligibility for social service benefits resulted in the suspension of benefits for 10 and allegations of fraud against 4. The second "trigger" for 2013 involved the Bricktown gang and occurred on July 26, 2013. The ensuing enforcement action followed a plan similar to that of the first enforcement action, and through the end of August, more than 5,200 personnel hours had been devoted to enforcement details, resulting in more than 600 arrests and nearly 1,600 traffic tickets, including 43 arrests of gang members. Home visits of 12 gang members were conducted by probation and parole, and investigations of gang members' eligibility for social service benefits were initiated.

It is far too early to show the impact TRUCE has had on "group-involved gun homicide". A 10 month postintervention period is not sufficient to isolate intervention impacts from month to month fluctuation, and any conclusion should rest on an analysis that takes preintervention trends and other temporal patterns into account. However, the pattern that has begun to emerge is the likes of a pattern that would indicate Syracuse TRUCE is effective.

## 2014 Goals & Objectives

Deter crime and criminal activity through a visible police presence and promote a sense of safety and security within the City by apprehending violators of the law through initial investigations, evidence collection, and follow-up investigations.

- Target specific high crime areas by utilizing available resources including staffing double units when possible.
- Promote information sharing within Platoons and other divisions of the Department.
- Conduct TRUCE gang initiative sweeps when needed.
- Proactively suppress gun violence through the combined resources of the Department including targeted enforcement by the Crime Reduction Team (CRT).
- CRT will focus on recovering illegal hand guns by following up on anonymous tips and developing information from members of the community and focusing on high crime areas and known criminal elements.

Initiate and complete the entire process of canvassing, conducting background investigations, interviewing, and ultimately hiring a class of Police candidates.

• Emphasis will be placed on not only finding the most qualified and dedicated applicants, but also selecting a group that represents the broad diversity of the population of the City of Syracuse.

### *Continue to develop and broaden the City Wide Fleet Operations Program.*

• Achieve administrative consolidation with the Departments of Aviation's, Fire's, Public Works & Water's, and the Syracuse City School District's fleet operations.

### *Continue upgrading the Patrol East/Garage Facility both on the interior and exterior.*

• Continue to upgrade the security, both interior and exterior, of the Patrol East Complex/Garage Facility.

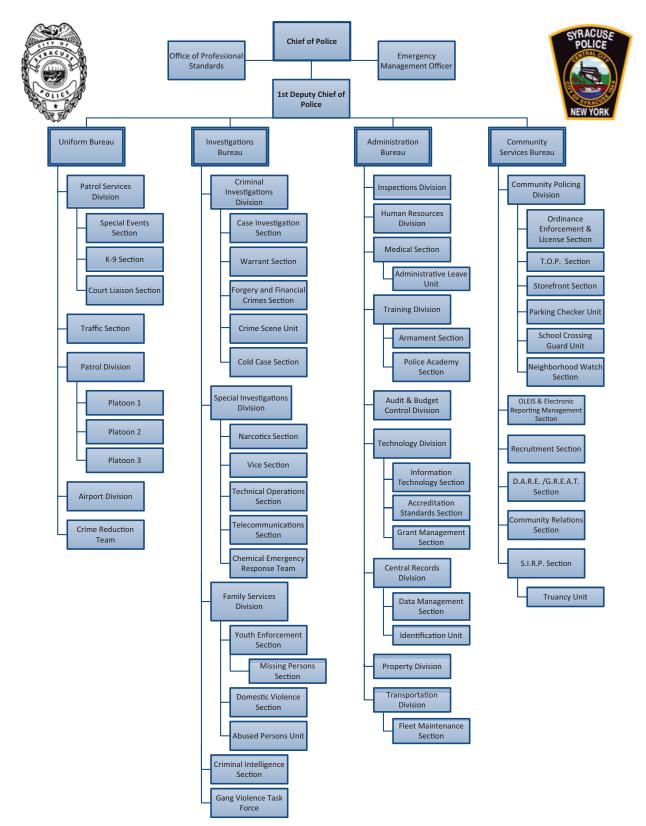
# *Implement an impound lot to aid in Department investigations and enforcement.*

• Work in conjunction with Ordinance Enforcement to establish an impound lot for use with criminal investigations, crash investigations, ordinance enforcement, and the police garage.

# *Restructure the Technology Division to increase efficiency and improve the Department's information security posture.*

- Create two distinct sections so that operational and security functions are separated.
- Civilianize technology staff where possible.
- Identify and initiate technology projects designed to improve field operational efficiencies to counteract reductions in sworn staff.

The Department maintains a table of organization that identifies the organizational components and establishes the chain of command and clear lines of authority.



The City of Syracuse covers a land area of 25.8 square miles and has a population of approximately 145,170. The Mayor-Council Style Government governs the City. As of December 31, 2013 there were 439 sworn officers and 121 civilian personnel employed by the Police Department, with an operating budget of approximately \$44,552,840.00.

### General Goals of the Department

**Prevention of Crime** - Crime is a problem that affects all segments of our society, and is a concern of everyone. The Department shall endeavor to involve the community in generating mutual understanding regarding the nature and extent of the crime problem and to involve the community in crime prevention efforts necessary to reduce crime.

**Deterrence of Crime** - Although there are certain crimes that cannot be prevented, crimes committed against innocent victims in public places and crimes against property can be deterred by proactive police operations and an involved community. These types of crimes are deterred by the criminal's fear of immediate apprehension or by the increased likelihood of his detection. The deterrence of crime requires the investigation of behavior that appears to be criminally directed. The Department shall strive to organize its personnel to deter crime and inspire public confidence in the safety and security of the community.

**Apprehension of Offenders** - Once a crime has been committed; it is the duty of the Department to initiate the criminal justice process by identifying and apprehending the offender, obtaining necessary evidence, and by assisting in the prosecution of the case. The Department must strive diligently to solve all crimes and to bring offenders to justice. The certainty of swift and sure punishment serves as an effective deterrent of crime. **Recovery and Return of Property** - While the actual cost of crime is difficult to measure, it is possible to observe the mounting cost of lost and stolen property. This loss, as well as the other costs must be borne ultimately by victims. In order to minimize the losses due to crime, the Department shall make every reasonable effort to recover lost or stolen property, to identify its owners, and to ensure its prompt return.

**Public Service** - Because other public or private agencies may be unavailable, the public relies upon the police for assistance and advice in both routine and emergency situations. Saving lives, aiding the injured, locating lost persons, keeping the peace, facilitating the safe and orderly movement of traffic, and providing for many other miscellaneous needs are basic services provided by the Department. It is the Department's responsibility to respond to all calls for service and to render such aid or advice, as is necessitated or indicated by the situation.

Victim/Witness Assistance - It is essential to our law enforcement efforts that we protect the rights of victims and witnesses. Therefore, the Department shall strive to avoid the traumatization of victim/witnesses by assisting them through an awareness of the psychological trauma associated with their circumstances and providing them with the necessary information regarding resources that are available to them.

**Accreditation** - Law enforcement accreditation is a process used to identify an agency's level of professionalism as measured by standards established by experts and practitioners in the field of law enforcement. It is a goal of the Department to maintain its accreditation status with the Division of Criminal Justice Services.

**Innovation** - The Syracuse Police Department has an exemplary history as a leader in forging new and innovative policing methods and programs. It is a goal of the Department to continue this tradition. Members are encouraged to think critically and creatively, present and promote ideas directed towards continuously improving the Department and the services it provides to citizens in the City of Syracuse.

### **Report On Office of the Chief of Police**

Chief of Police, Frank L. Fowler, is the Chief Executive Officer of the Syracuse Police Department and is the final authority in all matters of Department policy, operations, and discipline. The Chief of Police is accountable to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Syracuse.

### The Office of the Chief of Police

- Ensures that the Department's mission is executed efficiently and effectively.
- Creates a vision of the desired future state of the Department.
- Develops strategic goals and objectives.
- Empowers and leads subordinates.
- Plans, organizes, directs, staffs, coordinates, and controls all Departmental functions.
- Reports to the Mayor and the Common Council.

The Administrative Staff of the Office of the Chief of Police acts as a liaison between the Chief of Police, 1st Deputy Chief, and Bureau Chiefs. The staff handles internal and external communications directed to the Office and represents the Office of the Chief of Police in matters as directed.

The Public Information Officer is responsible for acting as a liaison between the Department and the media, coordinates all inquiries from the media, prepares news releases issued by the Department, and acts as a spokesperson when requested or directed.

The Emergency Management Officer facilitates the strategic application and management of information and resources in the deterrence, detection, prevention, and mitigation of the effects of natural, technological, and man-made hazards that can negatively impact the community; and strengthens the preparedness, timely response, and recovery from any disaster, critical incident, or other emergency.

### The Office of Professional Standards

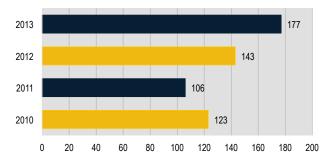
- Facilitates the process of receiving internal and external complaints alleging employee misconduct.
- Investigates complaints against members of the Department.
- Maintains documentation of complaints.
- Prepares charges (criminal, civil, and Departmental) when appropriate.
- Assists in the representation of the Department in arbitration.
- See Charts 1 and 2



**Frank L. Fowler** Chief of Police

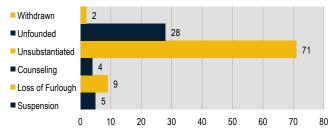








Office of Professional Standards Case Dispositions 2013



### **Report On Administration Bureau Operations**

The Administration Bureau is commanded by First Deputy Chief of Police, David C. Barrette, who is responsible for coordinating and overseeing the Department's operations and daily administrative functions. The Administration Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions, Sections, and Units:

### The Audit and Budget Control Division

- Prepares and manages the Department's budget.
- Oversees and maintains records concerning the requisitioning of agency property and expenditures.
- · Administers employee status, medical services, payroll, and program information.
- · Conducts cost analysis.
- Maintains overtime information and records.

See Charts 3 and 4

### The Human Resources Division

- Recruits and selects all Department members.
- · Establishes and maintains procedures that conform to federal and state regulations for hiring.
- Conducts comprehensive background investigations.
- Maintains human resources records.
- · Maintains all documentation relating to appointments, transfers, retirements, terminations, secondary employment, and commendations.
- Maintains and validates employee records of attendance; furlough, military, administration, and administers time accumulated and/or used by all employees.
- Prepares reports for the New York State Police and Firemen's retirement system. Maintains the Department roster and personnel status reports.

See Charts 5 through 8

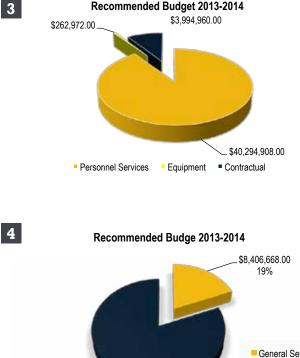
### **Medical Section**

- · Maintains and validates employee records of attendance; sick, injured, and monitors medical leave procedures.
- · Maintains personnel records of employees who have been assigned to administrative leave.
- Prepares reports for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

See Chart 9

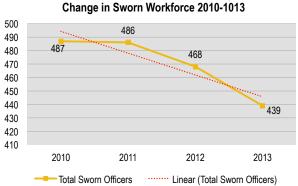


### **David C. Barrette** First Deputy Chief of Police



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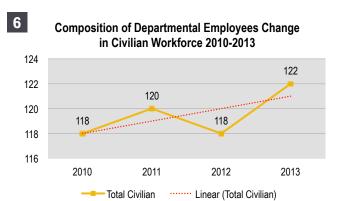


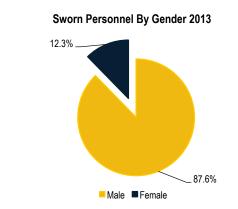
**Composition of Departmental Employees** 

### The Training Division

- Coordinates and administers Department training programs.
- Coordinates and administers the Police Officer Basic Academy.
- Administers training to peace and police officers from outside agencies.
- Plans and develops Department training standards and programs.
- Monitors training methods and identifies training needs necessary for adherence to state/federal laws, and Department policies.
- Prepares and distributes training bulletins.
- Administers in-service and field training officer programs, physical fitness evaluations, firearms training and qualifications, and police academy programs.
- Maintains records of training standards, programs, and lesson plans.

TRAINING DIVISION ACTIVITY	2011	2012	2013
Police Academy Classes	1	0	0
Total Officers Certified	34	0	0
Outside Agencies Attending	9	0	0
Community Service Officers	6	7	5
In-Service Training Sessions			
Total Officers Trained	441	472	472
Police Officers	357	389	388
Training Topics Instructed	12	7	9
Supervisors	58	55	54
Training Topics Instructed	5	7	8
Command Officers	26	28	30
Training Topics Instructed	4	7	8
<b>Certified Course Instruction</b>			
NYS BMP OPS	28	24	22
Refresher	9	11	12
Seminars	14	32	11
Specialized Training	12	14	13
Outside Agencies Attending	7	6	24

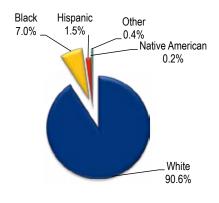






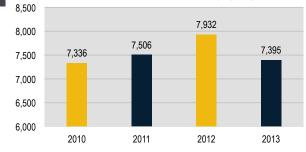
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#### Sworn Personnel By Race & Ethnicity 2013



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### **The Armament Section**

- Coordinates Department firearms training.
- Maintains Department weapons, related inventory, and firearms proficiency records.

### The Inspections Division

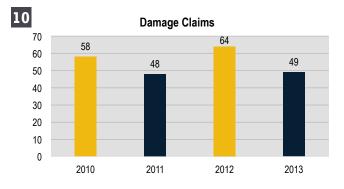
- Conducts staff and line inspections.
- Evaluates efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of Department operations and systems.
- Evaluates compliance of goals and directives.
- Ensures that Department policies and procedures are being followed.
- Reports deficiencies to the First Deputy Chief of Police.

See Charts 10 and 11

### The Technology Division

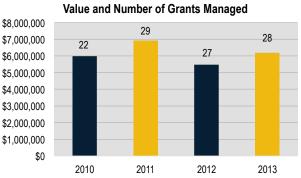
- Develops, prepares, publishes, and maintains records of all Department rules and regulations and orders, except Human Resources Division Orders.
- Conducts research and planning projects as directed by the Chief of Police.
- Responds to surveys from government and educational institutions.
- Prepares and publishes the Department's annual report.
- Develops, manages, and provides forms control services.
- Ensures Department compliance with NYS Accreditation Program standards.
- Maintains and implements Department Information & Technology systems and provides computer system support services.
- Prepares and assists in the management of Department grants.

See Chart 12





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### **Central Records Division**

- Processes, maintains, and distributes police records to include incident and follow-up reports, criminal process, and criminal history information.
- Processes freedom of information requests and oversees the Department's use of the Statewide Information Sharing Network- eJusticeNY- Integrated Justice Portal (JJP).
- Maintains computer information, indexes, and records.
- Provides photocopying and mailing services.

#### See Charts 13-15

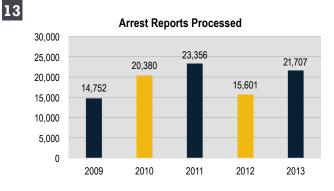
The Identification Section processes and maintains arrest records, photographs, fingerprints, and FBI updates on all individuals arrested by the Syracuse Police Department. The Section also seals defendant records as ordered by the court, supplies criminal history transcripts.

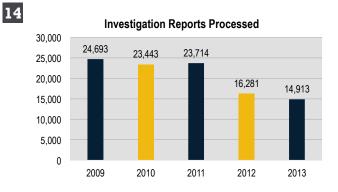
The Data Management Section inputs Syracuse Police Department information into CNYLEADS (Central New York Law Enforcement Analysis Database System); as well as the County-Wide Criminal History Information Reporting System and generates Uniform Crime Reports and statistical requests as required.

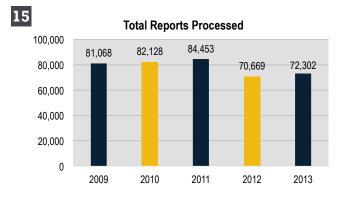
### The Property Division

- Is responsible for the custody and disposal of physical evidence, found or recovered property, and all property held for safekeeping.
- Maintains all Department inventory records.
- Orders and stores supplies.
- Prints Department forms.

See Chart 16





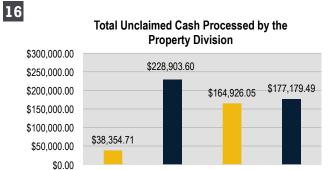


### The Transportation Division

- Maintains all Department vehicles and prepares vehicles for auction.
- Prepares specifications for the purchase of new vehicles.
- Completes vehicle repair work and maintenance on fleet vehicles.

<b>Transportation Division Activities</b>	2013
Vehicles In Service	361
Vehicles Taken Out of Service	80
New Vehicles Purchased	46
Vehicles Auctioned	80
Auction Revenue	\$83,000.00
Gasoline Dispensed (gal.)	341,872
Fleet miles per gallon	9.81
Repair Orders Completed	2,925
Preventative Maintenance	1,726

See Chart 17



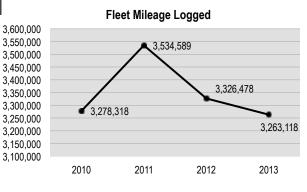
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### SYRACUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

### **Report On Uniform Bureau Operations**

The Uniform Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Rebecca E. Thompson, who is responsible for providing direct police services to the public. These services include street patrol, traffic control and enforcement, responding to calls for service and emergencies, and community oriented policing operations. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions, Sections, and Team:

### The Patrol Division

- Responds to all calls for police services.
- Conducts thorough preliminary investigations of all offenses.
- Conducts follow-up investigations in cases where responsibility is not yielded to another Division or Section.
- Apprehends offenders and recovers stolen property.
- Enforces laws and regulations.
- Conducts crime prevention and suppression activities.
- Maintains close liaison with the community and fosters positive police community relations.

#### See Charts 18 and 19

The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Uniform Bureau. It consists of the First, Second, and Third Platoons.

The First Platoon's hours of duty are 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM, with roll calls at 10:00 PM and 11:00 PM daily.

### First Platoon Activity 2013

Felony Arrests	871
Misdemeanor Arrests	2121
Violation Arrests	2,029
Appearance Tickets	902
Warrant Arrests	810
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	4,725
Parking Tickets Issued	9,165
Calls for Service	62,542
With Reports	14,513
Without Reports	48,029
Number of Reports	22,662

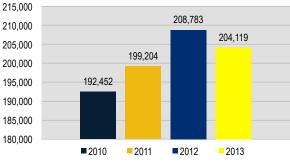
The Second Platoon's hours of duty are o6:00 AM to 3:00 PM, with roll calls at 6:00 AM and 7:00 AM daily.

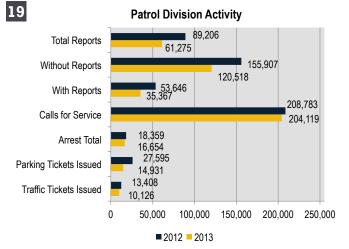


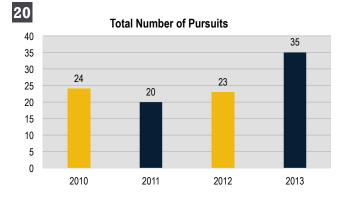
### **Rebecca E. Thompson** Deputy Chief of Police











### **Uniform Bureau Operations**

#### Second Platoon Activity 2013

Felony Arrests	473
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,499
Violation Arrests	508
Appearance Tickets	327
Warrant Arrests	280
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	1,868
Parking Tickets Issued	5,448
Calls for Service	49,196
With Reports	12,241
Without Reports	35,872
Number of Reports	27,060

The Third Platoon's hours of duty are 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM, with roll calls at 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM daily.

In 2013, the third platoon implemented extended efforts in focusing on hot-spots throughout the city and as a result of doing so, several arrests were made which led to a significant decrease burglaries and robberies.

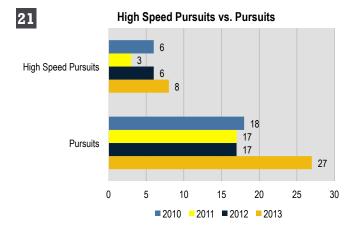
#### Third Platoon Activity 2013

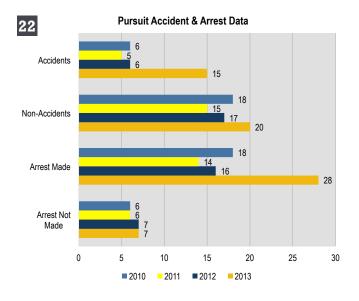
Felony Arrests	1,273
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,063
Violation Arrests	1,669
Appearance Tickets	1,152
Warrant Arrests	677
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	5,363
Parking Tickets Issued	5,654
Calls for Service	92,381
With Reports	20,624
Without Reports	71,757
Number of Reports	38,060

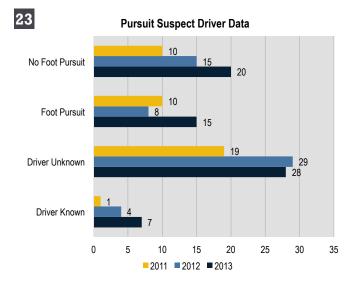
#### Platoon Comparisons 2013

The following chart depicts the average annual workload per officer assigned to the First, Second, and Third Platoons for the categories listed:

Platoon	First	Second	Third
Felony Arrests	16	10	21
Misdemeanor Arrests	39	31	34
Violation Arrests	38	11	27
Appearance Tickets Issued	17	7	19
Warrant Arrests	15	6	11
Traffic Tickets Issued	88	38	88
Parking Tickets Issued	170	112	93
Calls for Service	1,151	1,004	1,484
With Reports	269	250	338
Without Reports	889	732	1,176
Total Reports	420	553	624







### The Patrol Services Division

- Serves as the administrative arm of the Uniform Bureau Deputy Chief.
- Disseminates directives and information.
- Obtains equipment necessary for operations.
- Analyzes statistical data of patrol activity systems and processes.
- Monitors levels of efficiency and effectiveness.
- Oversees the operations of the Special Events Section, K-9 Section, and the Court Liaison Section.

Each year the Patrol Services Division conducts an analysis of Syracuse Police Department vehicle pursuits. During 2013, 35 pursuits were analyzed. Charts 20-24 depict the results of that analysis.

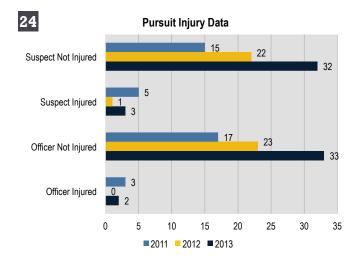
#### See Charts 20-24

The **K-9 Section** is comprised of 7 canine teams. Each team receives special training in building searches, area searches, tracking, obedience, and either narcotics or explosive detection.

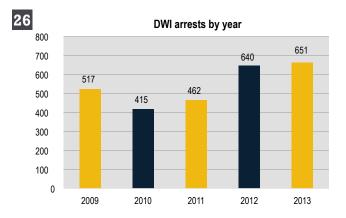
During 2013, the Syracuse Police Department welcomed two new canines to the team; Canine Nik was partnered with Officer Szakacs while canine Jarno was partnered with Officer Shulsky. The Unit continued to host basic schools for patrol/tracking, narcotics, and explosive detective teams. In addition, the K-9 Unit was able to recover approximately over \$35,000 in stolen property.

#### K-9 activity for 2013 is as follows:

Calls for Service	4,236
Felony Arrests	30
Misdemeanors	22
Violations	38
Building Searches	250
Explosive Searches	125
K-9 Tracking	51
Open Area Searches	69
Building Perimeter Checks	426
Stolen Property Recovered	\$35,000.00
(Monetary Value)	
Traffic Tickets Issued	106
K-9 Demonstrations	6
Attendance	109
Officer Protection	169
Drug Searches	72
Marijuana Seized	30z.
Cocaine Seized	2.5kg
Heroin Seized	4.25 oz/
Drug Money Seized	\$54,069.00







The Special Events Section plans and coordinates staffing and traffic control operations for numerous community events conducted in the City of Syracuse.

Major Community Events	89
Parade Permits	56
Assembly Permits	127
Carrier Dome Events	56
Officers Assigned to Dome Events	1,517
Dome Attendance 2013	713,519

The Court Liaison Section processed 3,865 subpoenas as well as notices scheduling pre-trial hearings and conferences to individual officers during the year 2013.

### **The Traffic Section**

The Traffic Section is a pro-active traffic enforcement component of the Department and is responsible for enforcing NYS laws and City of Syracuse ordinances governing vehicles and traffic.

See Charts 25 and 26

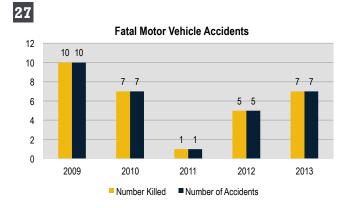
The Accident Investigation Section reviews, processes, stores, and maintains motor vehicle accident reports and provides statistical and requested report information concerning motor vehicle accidents that occur in the City of Syracuse. The following graphs depict various motor vehicle accident and vehicle and traffic related statistics.

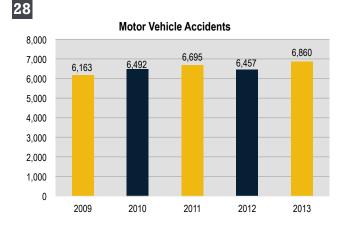
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### **The Crime Reduction Team**

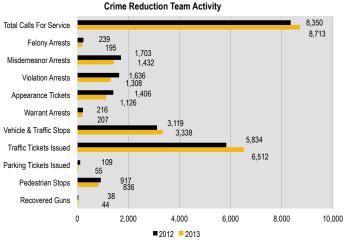
The main function of the Crime Reduction Team is to reduce crime and violence in the City of Syracuse through proactive patrol tactics and strict enforcement of city ordinances, penal, and vehicle & traffic laws. CRT concentrates its activities in designated troubled neighborhoods, responds to shots fired calls, and supports uniform patrol operations when necessary.

See Chart 29









**Crime Reduction Team Activity** 

The Investigations Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Shawn M. Broton, who is responsible for overseeing the investigations of crimes committed against persons, property, and serious or unusual incidents after the initial response and investigation by the Patrol Division. The Investigations Bureau also investigates narcotic and vice activity. This Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions, Sections, and Units:

### The Criminal Investigations Division

- Conducts follow-up felony investigations initiated by the Patrol Division.
- Assists in primary investigations when requested.
- Clears crimes through arrest and recovery of stolen property, executes search and arrest warrants, and apprehends fugitives.
- Acts as a liaison with representatives from federal, state, other municipal agencies, and exchanges information concerning known criminals and criminal activity.
- Coordinates information with prosecuting agencies during investigations for upcoming court cases.

The **Case Investigation Section** conducts criminal investigations, primarily of felony crimes against persons such as homicide, rape, robbery, assault, and unattended deaths. The Section also investigates criminal acts involving the loss of, or damage to, property such as burglary, arson, and larceny.

#### See Charts 30 and 31

The **Forgery Section** conducts follow-up investigations of all economic crime investigations that are beyond the capabilities of the Patrol Division. The Section assists and advises patrol personnel in processing patrol initiated fraud arrests and investigations. The Forgery Section further coordinates investigations and acts as a liaison with businesses, banks, and other law enforcement agencies.

#### See Charts 32 and 33

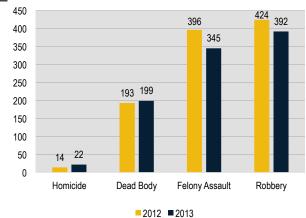
The **Cold Case Section** investigates unsolved homicides or prolonged missing person investigations. Detectives maintain the Cold Case webpage on *www.syracusepolice. org* that includes case history/photos in order to reach a wider audience and help cultivate case tips.

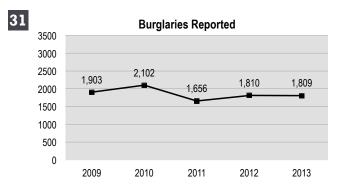


**Shawn M. Broton** Deputy Chief of Police

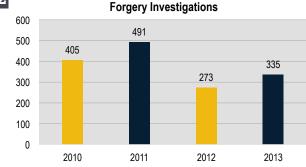


CID Crimes Against Persons Investigations





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### **Investigations Bureau Operations**

Cold Case Unit	2013
Current Cold Cases	71
Homicide	62
Closed by Arrest	1
Missing Persons	9

The **Warrant Section** is responsible for the execution of outstanding misdemeanor and felony arrest warrants. The Section develops information on the whereabouts of suspects and coordinates investigations with other law enforcement agencies in order to apprehend fugitives.

#### See Chart 34

The **Crime Scene Unit** is responsible for processing all major crime scenes and incidents for the purpose of the preservation and collection of evidence.

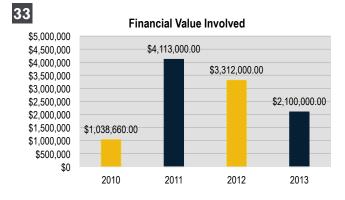
Crime Scene Unit	2013
Homicides	22
Officer Involved Shootings	0
Suspicious Deaths/Incidents	5
Fatal Fires	3
Cell Phones Processed	136
Vehicles Processed	45
Crime Scene Sketches	37
ET Cases Photographed	7,036
ET Photographs	227,416
CSU Photographs	35,327

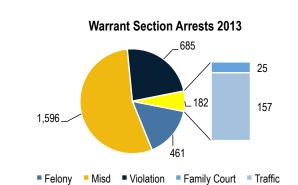
### The Special Investigations Division

- Conducts investigations into organized crime, narcotics trafficking, and vice-related activity.
- Coordinates enforcement action and develops interagency cooperation, coordination, and communication relative to metropolitan wide narcotics enforcement efforts.

The **Narcotics Section** is responsible for the suppression of narcotics trafficking, from street level to major criminal conspiracy activity. The Section maintains and develops intelligence files relative to narcotics distribution, develops informants, executes search warrants, makes arrests, and initiates counteractive measures to combat illegal drug activity.

See Charts 35 and 36

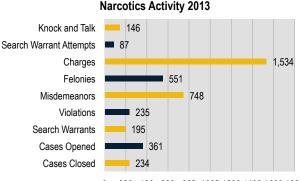




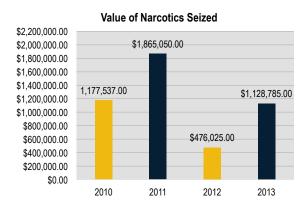
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### **Report On Investigations Bureau Operations**

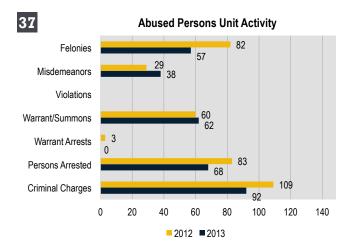
The **Technical Operations Section** is responsible for the maintenance, operation, and deployment of electronic surveillance equipment. The Section provides technical support to various Department Units, and investigates processes and tracks narcotic forfeiture cases. The Technical Operations Section identifies and tracks transient narcotics dealers and larger multi-jurisdictional narcotic organizations as well as groups operating in our area. Members act as a liaison with other local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. The Section also provides protective escort operations for resident and visiting dignitaries.

In 2013 Tech Ops detectives worked extended hours in order to conduct a Department-wide upgrade on all portable and mobile radio systems. The Tech Ops facilitated in purchasing a new Department telephone recording system for the Public Safety Building.

Technical Operations 2013	
Audio-video Operations	24
Photographic Operations	6
Forfeiture Operations	
Federal Currency & Vehicle Cases	98
Cash Amount	\$1,981,151.00
State Currency & Vehicle Cases	164
Cash Amount	\$117,108.00
Protective Escort Operations	
Advance Operations	8
Escort Details	3

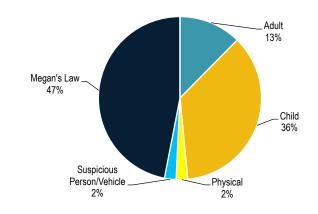
The **Syracuse Gang Violence Task Force (GVTF)**) is a multiagency task force that aggressively targets violent street gangs and their members. The task force uses long term RICO and Continuing Criminal Enterprise (CCE) investigations which are prepared and presented to the federal court system for prosecution. The participating agencies of the Gang Task Force are: Syracuse Police Department, New York State Police, Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, United States Marshal's Service, Alcohol, Tobacco and Fire Arms (ATF), The United States Attorney's Office, and in 2013 the Federal Bureau of Investigations joined the task force as full time participating agency.

In 2013 the GVTF continued to conduct long term RICO investigations of violent street gangs. The investigations includes multiple acts of violence and drug distribution, including murder, shootings, gun possession, crack cocaine distribution and/or possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.



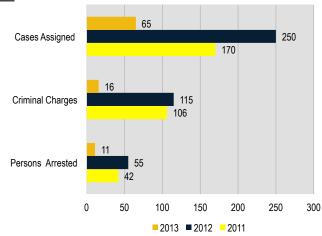
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2013 APU Investigations









Additionally, GVTF played a major role in the Syracuse Truce initiative that started in February of 2013. GVTF participated in the Truce notifications meetings in which gang members are invited to face to face meetings in both the Federal and State Courthouses. The Truce message is delivered directly to the gang members. GVTF provided security and intelligence information at these notification meetings. The high profile presence of GVTF detectives inside and outside the courthouse has helped in preventing any violence at these meetings. GVTF has also participated in all three Truce triggers in which focused enforcement efforts have been directed at gangs that have been involved in gun related homicides.

Also 2013, GVTF assisted with the successful RICO prosecution phase of the VNOT gang investigation. Members of GVTF were assigned for three months to assist the US Attorney's office with the VNOT trial preparation. This included witness preparation, developing a detailed violence timeline, and conducting numerous debriefings of confidential informants. In the end, all 11 members of the VNOT gang that were arrested on RICO charges have pled guilty in federal court and are currently awaiting sentencing. GVTF also assisted in the sentencing phase for the Bricktown gang investigation. All 13 defendants in this RICO case have now pled guilty and many have received severe penalties in federal court.

In 2013 GVTF Detectives also worked on the successful federal prosecution of Terrell Wright. Wright is a known gang member and a convicted felon on parole who has previous felony drug convictions and a prior gun possession conviction. When the detectives from GVTF pulled up to Wright along East Fayette St to question him about an unrelated shooting on the Eastside of Syracuse he pointed a loaded 40 caliber Glock handgun at the two detectives. Wright has now pled guilty to weapons and assault charges in federal court and he is awaiting sentencing that could send him to federal prison for over 25 years.

Due to the increased shootings and illegal weapons activity in the City of Syracuse, the GVTF has been requested to supply a much broader area of responsibility outside of its initial goal of "investigate, arrest and prosecute". The Unit's prior success in effectively dealing with large gangs in Syracuse has expanded to a role which requires much more visibility within the community. The Unit's role has been refocused as one to provide a proactive presence in high crime, heavy gang areas of the city.

### **Criminal Intelligence Section**

The function of the **Criminal Intelligence Section** is to collect, evaluate, analyze, and disseminate intelligence related to criminal activity, illegal narcotics, gangs, serial crime events, and quality of life problems. The Section identifies crime trends by analyzing factors such as time, method of operation, and hot spot identification. The field intelligence officers gather more in depth information through street interviews with officers, the public, debriefings of arrested individuals, and criminal informants. The Section provides services to all law enforcement agencies throughout Onondaga and adjacent counties by distributing work products and completing intelligence bulletins.

#### Criminal Intelligence Section Activity 2013

Bulletins Distributed	
Officer Safety	77
Wanted for an Offense	131
General Police Information	336
Investigative Lead Reports	465
Total Bulletins	1,009
Crime Analysis Special Research Projects/ Studies	1,534
Inmate Release Notices	30
Anonymous Tips Received	453

### The Family Services Division

- Initiates and conducts follow-up investigations regarding youth and family related matters.
- Conducts follow-up investigations on all felony, sexrelated offenses.
- Oversees the operations of the Youth Enforcement Section, Domestic Violence Section, Missing Persons Unit, and Abused Persons Unit.

The **Abused Persons Unit** is responsible for investigating sex offenses, including child pornography, all felony physical child abuse and neglect incidents, and identifying and apprehending offenders. The Unit works closely with Onondaga Child Protective Services, The Rape Crisis Center, Department of Probation, and New York State Parole.

During 2013, The Abused Persons Detectives investigated 654 abused persons along with a complex investigation of a serial child sex offender which resulted in their arrest and indictment. With conjoined efforts of the New York State Attorney General and the New York State Police three arrests were made in after an investigation of a Human Sex Trafficking ring.

#### See Charts 37 and 38

The **Domestic Violence Section** is dedicated exclusively to victims of domestic violence. The Section conducts follow up investigations on domestic violence incidents that fall outside the investigative role of the Patrol Division.

#### See Chart 39

The **Youth Enforcement Section** has primary responsibility for investigation of crimes perpetrated by juveniles. The Section is responsible for the diversion of offenders by making referrals to appropriate agencies, and acting as a liaison with other youth service providers and other agencies concerned with the problems and needs of youth. It maintains juvenile records and reports, and coordinates juvenile operations with other Divisions within the Department. This Section assists other Department Units with Family Court, Social Services referrals, and crime prevention activities.

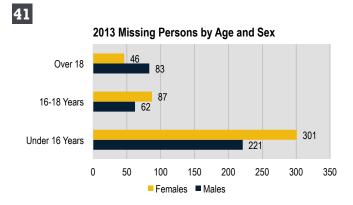
#### **Departmental Statistics 2013**

Juveniles Arrested	518
Charges Lodged	768

The **Missing Persons Unit** is responsible for conducting investigations of missing persons.

See Charts 40 and 41





The Community Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Joseph L. Cecile, who is responsible for providing community based services to the public. These services include Recruitment, Community Relations, Team Oriented Policing, Ordinance and License Enforcement, Nuisance Abatement, Neighborhood Watch, Storefront operations, School Resource and Information officers, SWEEP (Strategic Waves of Enforcement Efforts by Police) and the D.A.R.E. and G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training) programs. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions, Sections, and Units:

### The Community Policing Division

- Implements and advances community policing principles, strategies, and operations.
- Coordinates community policing with all components of the Department.
- Oversees the operations of the Team Oriented Policing, Ordinance Enforcement & License, SWEEP, Storefront, and Neighborhood Watch Sections.

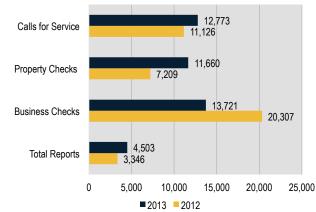
The Team Oriented Policing and Storefront Sections (TOPS) are a key element in the Community Policing problem-solving approach utilized by the Syracuse Police Department. There are six TOPS units that are located in Eastwood, Butternut St. & Park St., Butternut Square, Valley Plaza, and Otisco St. Teams of officers are deployed from mobile bases of operation set up in specifically targeted neighborhoods. The Storefront Section utilizes three storefront policing centers and one community center situated for convenient access to the public in the North and East sides of the city. Personnel answer complaints, develop working relationships with area residents and business owners, and strive to solve underlying problems in neighborhoods. TOPS also assists both the Criminal Investigations Division with burglary follow-up investigations and the SIRP Section with police related incidents on or around City of Syracuse School District properties.



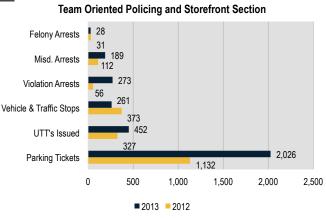
**Joseph L. Cecile** Deputy Chief of Police



Team Oriented Policing and Storefront Section







### **Community Services Bureau Operations**

TOPS/Storefront	2013
Burglary follow-ups	279
Burglaries referred to CID	10
Assist to other agencies	292
Meetings	355
School calls	152
School crossings	502
School details	683

See Charts 42 and 43

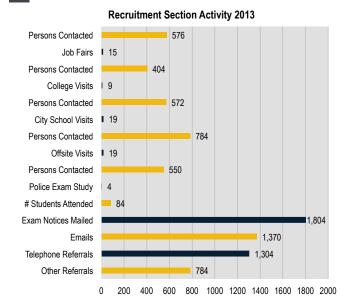
SWEEP Activities	2013
Follow-up Sweep from Previous Year	2
Number of Sweep Canvasses	6
Number of Sweep Follow-ups	2
Number of Citizen Contacts from Initial	
Canvass	174
Number of Citizen Contacts from Follow-ups	38
Number of Fully Completed SWEEPs	2

The Ordinance Enforcement & License Section inspects, enforces, and processes violations of city licenses and ordinances. Enforcement efforts are coordinated with Department Units, and other city Departments such as Animal Control, Codes and Zoning, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation to achieve compliance and eradicate conditions of physical decay in neighborhoods.

#### **Ordinance Enforcement Activity 2013**

Abandoned Vehicle Complaints	231
Red Tag Vehicle Tows	8
Salvage Certificates	96
Red Tags Issued	332

The Neighborhood Watch Section serves as a Department liaison with 64 Neighborhood Watch Groups situated throughout the City of Syracuse. The Section also assists in the development of additional groups. Crime prevention education is conducted through routinely scheduled meetings where groups are established. The Section acts as a liaison with other Departments toward solving complaints and community problems. 44



45 **SIRP Activity** Weapons 94 77 Recovered 113 **Criminal Cases** 210 1,209 Assists 1,113 262 **Reports Written** 389 0 200 400 600 800 1000 1200 1400 2013 2012

Neighborhood Watch Section Activity 2013 is as follows:

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups	87
New Neighborhood Watch Groups Formed	28
Total Meetings, Special Events and Gatherings	327
Newsletter Publications	3
Major Special Events	14
Halloween Safety-October	27
Nuisance Abatement Monitoring	14
Watchlink Complaints Weekly Average	11
Total Number of Residents Involved	4,025

The **Recruitment Section** is responsible for recruiting the most qualified applicants available for actual and anticipated vacancies within the Department. Recruitment personnel strive to develop and maintain a racial and ethnic composition within the Department that mirrors the demographic composition of the City of Syracuse.

#### See Chart 44

The **Community Relations Section** is responsible for educating the public in the area of crime prevention for home, business security, and personal safety. The Section also provides specifically tailored educational programs to Senior Citizens and Youth. The Section seeks to enhance interaction and establish long term relationships between the police, individuals, and groups in order to solve community problems.

Programs/Presentations	2013
McGruff	25
Civilian Rider Program	376
Safety Speaking Engagements	24
Business Security Seminars	5
Internships	30

The **School Information Resource Section** is a contingent of detectives who are permanently assigned to the City of Syracuse School District. Detectives are responsible for handling all police matters within the school, and to interact with students and teachers and to provide advice when requested. They make class presentations on a variety of subjects, conduct physical plant security checks, and work with various school groups and clubs.

See Chart 45

The **Truancy Outreach Unit** is responsible for locating students truant from school. The Unit works with the City of Syracuse School District toward achieving the safe return of truant students to parents/guardians, or their respective school for appropriate corrective action. The Unit coordinates its activity with educators, counselors, school staff, program volunteers, and parents. The goals of the program are to:

- Reduce the risk of victimization of youths.
- Encourage the continuance of education.
- Return students to the education environment.
- Assist education officials by providing appropriate counseling or corrective action.

The **Drug Abuse Resistance Education Section (D.A.R.E)** is responsible for administering and conducting Project D.A.R.E. lesson plans in the City of Syracuse School District, making presentations to various community and business groups, administering the Mini-Police Academy for youth, and Officer Friendly programs (Stranger Danger, Good-Touch/Bad-Touch). The Section plans Drug Abuse Resistance Education programs and implements programs designed to prevent delinquency in matters such as substance abuse and victimization.

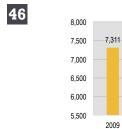
D.A.R.E.	2012	2013
Students Educated	1,542	1,514
Rite-Aid Drug Quiz Program	1	0
Number of Classes Taught	167	165
Officer Friendly	2012	2013
Students Educated	6,454	4,736
Number of Classes Taught	307	226

#### The Gang Resistance Education and Training

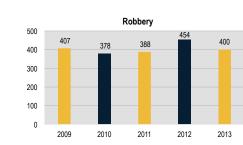
**(G.R.E.A.T.)** program was introduced in Syracuse during 2003. The officers assigned to D.A.R.E teach the curriculum. This federally funded program gives students accurate facts about gang involvement. During thirteen weeks of instruction, the program teaches skills needed to peacefully resolve conflicts and overcome the stresses that may lead to gang involvement.

G.R.E.A.T.	2012	2013
Students Educated	1,761	1,777
Number of Classes Taught	480	484

### **Statistical Review**



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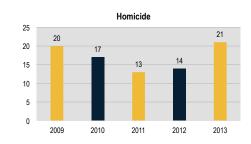
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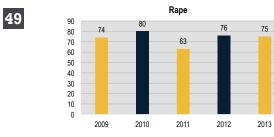
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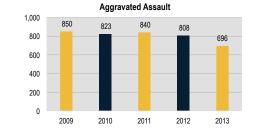
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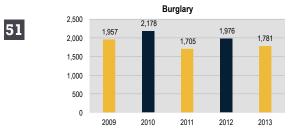
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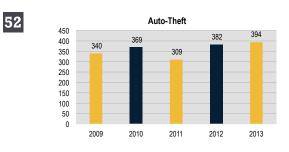


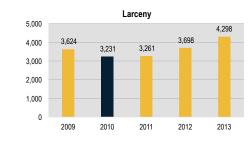


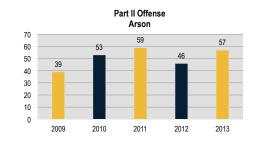


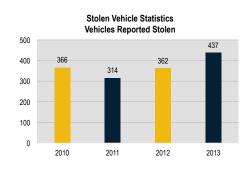


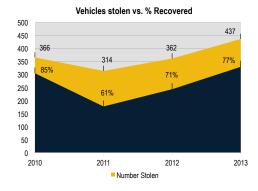












# Awards, Promotions, Retirements, and Deaths

### **Departmental Awards 2013**

Francis Hendricks Medal No recipient

**Post-Standard Medal** Detective Kevin Birardi Detective Jamie O'Brien

John C. Dillon Award Detective Richard Hargraves

Jerome P. Slater Award Police Officer Brent Potts

**Chief's Achievement Award** Police Officer Andrew Quinn

*Wallie Howard Jr. Award* Detective Michel Soule

*Timothy Laun Award* Lieutenant Richard Shoff

**Distinguished Service Award** Police Officer Mark Vella

**PBA President's Award** Police Officer Jason Wells

**PBA Valor Award** No recipient

**PBA Merit Award** Police Jenny Terrero

**SPD Life Saving Award** Police Officer Keith Simmons

*Meritorious Service Award* Detective Steven Kilburn Detective Steven Stonecypher

*Officer of the Year 1st Platoon* Police Officer Robert Ripley

*Officer of the Year 2nd Platoon* Police Officer Jeffery Fleming

*Officer of the Year 3rd Platoon* Police Officer Ryan Jones-Brimmer Police Officer Michael Malone

### Officer of the Month Recipients 2013

#### January

1st platoon- Police Officer Kathleen Glavin 2nd platoon- Police Officer John Szakalski 3rd platoon- Police Officer Adam Pritchett

#### February

1st platoon- Police Officer David Craw 2nd platoon- Police Officer Todd Mooney 3rd platoon- Police Officer Scott Carns

#### March

1st platoon- Police Officer Jason Welch 2nd platoon- Police Officer Jeffrey McManus 3rd platoon- Police Officer Jerry Mosqueda

#### April

1st platoon- Police Officer Gordon Quonce 2nd platoon- Police Officer Alison Beauchine 3rd platoon- Police Officer Alexander Cazzoli

#### May

1st platoon- Police Officer Ahmad Mims 2nd platoon- Police Officer Angela Mahar 3rd platoon- Police Officer Jacob Breen

#### June

1st platoon- Police Officer Eric Gerace 2nd platoon- Police Officer Christopher Dominick 3rd platoon- Police Officer Erich Baun

#### July

1st platoon- Police Officer Jason Eiffe 2nd platoon- Police Officer Jenny Terrero 3rd platoon- Police Officer Erik Heppeler

#### August

1st platoon- Police Officer Chad King 2nd platoon- Police Officer Varoosh Zarian 3rd platoon- Police Officer Kaitlin Henderson

#### September

1st platoon- Police Officer Travis Holmes 2nd platoon- Police Officer Charles Lester 3rd platoon- Police Officer Scott Carns

#### October

1st platoon- Police Officer Gordon Quonce 2nd platoon- Police Officer Robert Ocker 3rd platoon- Police Officer Matthew Liadka

#### November

1st platoon- Police Officer Michael Kowalewski 2nd platoon- Police Officer Mark Vella 3rd platoon- Police Officer Evan Hepburn

#### December

1st platoon- Police Officer Darrin Ettinger 2nd platoon- Police Officer Jenny Terrero 3rd platoon- Police Officer Shannon Einbeck

### **Promotions 2013**

#### To the Rank of Sergeant

Police Officer Don Schultz

### Departmental Retirements 2013 Years of Service

Police Officer Lee Knapp June 27, 1986 - January 4, 2013

**Police Officer Richard Zinter** May 5, 1987 - January 16, 2013

Police Officer Frederick DeStefano June 27, 1986 - January 18, 2013

**Police Officer Jeffrey Callahan** August 29, 1989 - January 21, 2013

**Police Officer Bruno Danielle** July 10, 1995 - January 30, 2013

**Police Officer Marvin Harrington** September 8, 1992 - January 30, 2013

Police Officer Michael Kwiek December 1, 1980 - February 28, 2013

Police Officer Ann Park November 3, 1986 - February 28, 2013

Police Officer John Haskell November 30, 1992 - March 4, 2013

Police Officer Ralph Jensen March 5, 1979 - March 31, 2013

Police Officer Pauline Eggers November 14, 1986- April 20, 2013

Sergeant Alan Wilson April 12, 1991- May 30, 2013

Sergeant Ivan Jiminez August 14, 1992- May 30, 2013

Police Officer John Duby March 31, 1989 - May 31, 2013

Police Officer Frederick Brough May 14, 1993 - June 1, 2013

Police Officer Ronald Bricco May 14, 1993 - June 21, 2013

Inspector John Kolis May 6, 1970 - June 26, 2013

Lieutenant John Corbett February 9, 1972 - June 28, 2013

Police Officer Robert Teater August 10, 1981 - June 28, 2013

Sergeant Thomas Rathbun September 11, 1987 - June 30, 2013

Police Officer William Kelly April 12, 1991 - June 30, 2013

Police Officer David Jones July 15, 1993 - July 15, 2013

Police Officer Leo D. Dadey November 14, 1986 - July 31, 2013

Sergeant Michael Long August 10, 1981 - August 12, 2013

Police Officer Robert Lenhart September 29, 1994 - September 23, 2013 Police Officer Paul Hunter June 27, 1986 - October 7, 2013

Sergeant James Staub June 27, 1986 - October 28, 2013

Police Officer Jennifer Dikeman October 29, 1993 - October 29, 2013

Captain Shannon Trice August 25, 1989 - December 1, 2013

# Deaths of Sworn Retired Members late 2012 and 2013

Police Officer William Domres died December 4, 2012, served 1965-1980

Sergeant Robert Henry Korkuc died December 10, 2012, served 1964-1984

Sergeant Dennis J. Mangan died December 29, 2012, served 1970-1998

Lieutenant Alfred E. Reagan died January 3, 2013, served 1957-1978

Sergeant Donald C. Klug died January 20, 2013, served 1946-1983

Police Officer Timothy J. Ahern died February 5, 2013, served 1966-1986

Police Officer Robert J. Boyer died February 15, 2013, served 1960-1981

Police Officer James A. Dixon died March 20, 2013, served 1953-1973

Police Officer Robert E. Smith died April 2, 2013, served 1953-1971

Police Officer Roger S. Brundage died April 3, 2013, served 1971-1991

Sergeant Michael J. Czerniel died May 5, 2013, served 1946-1974

Police Officer Albert "Blue" Thompson died May 21, 2013, served 1981-2012

Police Officer Donald H. Gale died May 26, 2013, served 1965-1985

Police Officer Joseph A. West died July 23, 2013, served 1970-2008

Police Officer Donald K. Goodrich died October 8, 2013, served 1963-1983

Police Officer Henry Joseph "Hank" Zajak died October 24, 2013, served 1946-1984

Lieutenant Eugene F. Haumann died October 21, 2013, served 1962-1986

Investigator Lewis N. Felber died October 26, 2013, served 1963-1996

John Michael Bloomer died October 18, 2013, served 1969-1970

**Robert R. Klein** died December 1, 2013, served 1946-1970



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